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## Frozen Fountain

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# **Frozen Fountain**

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Each droplet freezes on contact  
The crystalline covering floats then flows  
Branching out to finish before dusk  
Air is frost and staccato puffs  
Softened footsteps harden to cracking glass  
Rows of poles alight the scene, frozen  
Diamonds cling to shields not yet discarded  
Dangling and glistening, the wind shifts  
Piercing highlights. As if a fountain  
In its most elegant leap was frozen